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PLANET KAMIL

AGRICULTURE HUB.

"I CAN'T TELL WHICH ONE OF THESE *RUNYIPS* WOULD BE BEST. CAN YOU?"

"WE JUST GOTTA PICK SOME. HOW ABOUT THAT ONE? "

"ALREADY *SOLD*. WE GOTTA BE QUICKER ON THE DRAW."

I THOUGHT THAT WAS ONE OF YOUR THINGS--THE GREAT *POE DAMERON!*

IT IS. JUST NOT A BOVINE BIDDING EXPERT.

I'M A *FIGHTER,* NOT A *FARMER.*

IT'S BEEN FIVE DAYS OF STARING AT *ANIMALS* WHEN WE SHOULD BE BACK THERE. IN THE *THICK* OF IT.

HERE WE GO.

YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT I THINK?

NO. BUT I BET YOU'RE GOING TO TELL ME *ANYWAY.*

GENERAL ORGANA IS *PUNISHING* ME FOR BEING A SELF-STARTER. I'M THE *BEST* SHE'S GOT, AND SHE WANTS TO CLIP MY WINGS.

YOU MEAN *WE'RE* THE BEST.

OF COURSE. *WE.* YOU AND ME.

WE'RE JUST SUPPOSED TO LAY LOW AND DO A LITTLE *SHOPPING.* IT'S AN EASY ASSIGNMENT. I'D CALL IT *LUCKY.*

EVERY DAY WE LAY LOW MORE OF OUR ALLIES GET *KILLED.*

SHE KNOWS WHAT SHE'S DOING. FOOD IS *IMPORTANT.* YOU CAN'T RUN AN ARMY ON AN EMPTY STOMACH.

SPEAKING OF... I'M HUNGRY AND THAT SMELLS *GOOD.*

DON'T GET ME WRONG, I *LOVE* THE WOMAN. SHE'S A *MENTOR.* I'M JUST BETTER THAN THIS ASSIGNMENT.

ARE YOU? BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T SECURED *ANY* LIVESTOCK SINCE WE LANDED *FIVE* DAYS AGO. AND THAT'S THE MISSION.

CUT SOME DEALS AND THEN WE CAN LEAVE.

THIS IS *GOOD.*

YEAH, WHATEVER ANIMAL THIS IS, WE SHOULD GET SOME OF *THESE.* I'LL PUT IT ON THE WISH LIST.

DOES THIS COLOR MEAN IT'S HEALTHY? CAN'T TELL. TO ME IT READS AS *SICK.*

I DON'T LIKE THE WAY IT'S LOOKING AT ME. LIKE RIGHT INTO MY *SOUL.* THOSE EYES... =SHUDDER=

WE SHOULD STILL MAKE AN OFFER. WE'RE GETTING OUTBID ON *EVERYTHING* ELSE.

THAT IS THE PRICE. IT'S A GOOD PRICE. *FINAL PRICE!*

IT'S ROBBERY! DO YOU TAKE ME FOR A *SUCKER?*

COME ON, LET'S LET IT GO. THERE'S GOTTA BE OTHER ANIMALS.

EVERYONE HERE TAKES US FOR AN EASY MARK. WE'VE BEEN OUTBID BY *EVERYONE* IN THIS SECTOR.

YOU KNOW THERE'S ALWAYS A METHOD TO THE GENERAL'S ASSIGNMENTS. WE'RE NOT HERE FOR NOTHING.

COME ON. YOU LOOK LIKE A GUY WHO CAN MAKE *CONNECTIONS.*

WE NEED *THAT GUY. NOW.*

FINN, YOU'RE A GENIUS. EVERY PLACE LIKE THIS HAS ONE HUB WHERE ALL THE *REAL* DEALS HAPPEN.

SQUUAAK

SMACK

THE LUCKY WHISTLE SALOON. FEELS LIKE COMING HOME.

SO, WHAT'S THE PLAN? DO WE *HAVE* A PLAN?

KEEP YOUR EYES AND EARS *OPEN.* WATCH YOUR *CREDITS.* AND FOLLOW MY *LEAD.*

TWO HOURS HERE AND WE'LL HAVE WHAT WE NEED.

FAMOUS LAST WORDS.

TWO SHOTS OF YOUR BEST TOP SHELF FOR ME AND MY FRIEND HERE AND EXTRA ON YOUR TIP FOR INFORMATION.

BIG SPENDER, HUH? I'LL BITE. WHAT KIND OF *INFORMATION* ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?

NUNAS, ROBAS, RUNYIPS, MOOFS. I WANT TOP-NOTCH SELLERS THAT WILL SHIP A SMALL AMOUNT OF GRADE-A CREATURES OFF-WORLD TO A SMALL STARTER HOMESTEAD.

AND *NO* QUESTIONS ASKED.

THIS IS HIGH-SELL SEASON. AND WE'VE GOT A LOT OF OFF-WORLDERS HERE. INFORMATION COSTS *MORE* THAN WHAT YOU'VE PUT DOWN.

THAT'S AS HIGH AS I CAN GO.

GOOD ENOUGH. YOU'VE GOT YOUR *FOUR* MAJOR PLAYERS IN LIVESTOCK ON THIS ROCK. EACH ONE WITH A SPECIALTY.

RUNYIPS
NUNAS
MOOFS
ROBAS
GET IN WITH ONE OF THEM AND THE OTHERS WILL TRADE *FAVORABLY* WITH YOU. CROSS THEM AND YOU'LL BE OUT OF LUCK THIS SEASON.
THAT'S A *LOT* OF WHEELING AND DEALING TO BE DONE.
WHERE THERE'S A WILL THERE'S A WAY. WE'RE *FRIENDLY*. LET'S GO MAKE SOME DEALS.
SHE'S DEPENDING ON US. WE CAN'T LET HER DOWN.
WE WON'T. YOU TAKE ONE SIDE OF THE ROOM. I'LL TAKE THE OTHER.

I'M LOOKING FOR A COUPLE OF NUNA HENS AND A MALE. CAN YOU MAKE IT HAPPEN? I HEAR YOU'RE THE BEST.

I LIKE YOU, BUT OUR MINIMUM ORDER IS FOR A *FLOCK.*

HOW *BIG* IS A FLOCK?

IF YOU DON'T KNOW, THEN YOU SHOULD FLY ELSEWHERE OR MAKE US A *REAL* OFFER.

SO, IF I THROW A *DOUBLE STARS,* YOU'LL GIVE ME A GOOD PRICE ON THREE RUNYIPS.

THREE FOR TWO! A STEAL!

COME ON, *LUCKY STARS.*

AHHH! NOW PRICE IS *TRIPLED* FOR EACH! WE WIN!

NO DEAL. THESE CHANCE CUBES WERE *LOADED.*

WE STILL WIN!

YOU WANT ME TO EAT THAT TO SEAL THE DEAL?

THE ROBAS' EYES ARE *ALL SEEING*-WE WILL KNOW YOUR SOUL. THEN WE WILL KNOW IF WE CAN DEAL WITH YOU.

OH NO. NO NO NO NO NO.

I WARN YOU, I'M GOOD AT THIS GAME.

DARN. I CAN'T CATCH A BREAK TODAY.

I SAW YOU BOTH WORKING THE *ROUNDS.*

YEAH, I NEEDED A *BREAK.*

NOT HAVING MUCH LUCK.

WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO *HELP* YOU OUT.

TWANG TWANG

TWANG TWANG TWANG

YOU HERE TRADING LIVESTOCK OR PARTS?

LOOKING FOR LIVESTOCK. FOR A SMALL HOMESTEADING PLACE I'M SETTING UP. YOU HAVE ANY TO SELL?

NO, OUR UNCLE *DHAR WAT* IS NOW SELLING SPARE PARTS. FOR FARM EQUIPMENT AND STUFF.

WAIT, ARE YOU SAYING YOUR UNCLE HAS TWO BOXES OF *EXO LUG TWIN INJECTORS?* THOSE ARE HARD TO COME BY.

THEY'RE USED, BUT *FUNCTIONAL.* THEY WORK IN MOST FARM EQUIPMENT.

TWANG

AND SMALL SHIPS.

YES, BUT *SNUBFIGHTER* OR SMALLER, ONLY.

TWANG

TWANG

ARE YOU GETTING THIS?

SHE SAID THEY'RE LOADING THEM ON A *TRAIN* TO A POTENTIAL BUYER OUT WEST.

CAN YOU IMAGINE WHAT WE COULD DO WITH THOSE *SPARE PARTS?*

FIX OUR FAULTY SHIPS OURSELVES UNDER THE RADAR AND DOUBLE OUR FLYING CAPACITY.

IT COULD TIP THE ODDS IN OUR FAVOR.

YOU THINKING WHAT I'M THINKING?

FORGET THE LIVESTOCK AND FOLLOW THOSE PARTS?

YEP. WE'VE GOT A TRAIN TO CATCH.

"OUR DEALER IS AN *OCTANI* NAMED *DHAR WAT.* FINDING HIM ISN'T GOING TO BE EASY."

"HE'S A GIANT FOUR-ARMED BEING CARRYING A *MASSIVE* CASE OF PARTS. HE *SHOULD* STAND OUT."

"NOT IN *THIS* CROWD! I'LL INFILTRATE THE TRAIN CREW. YOU BOARD WITH THE PASSENGERS."

"ONCE WE FIND *HIM,* WE CAN FIGURE OUT HOW TO BEST MAKE CONTACT AND *CLOSE THE DEAL.*"

ALL ABOARD!

PASSENGER CAR: THIRD CLASS

MOVE, PLEASE. OR SIT DOWN. I WANT TO GET A GOOD SPOT.

OH YEAH. SORRY. I'M LOOKING FOR SOMEONE.

TOOT TOOT

DID YOU SEE AN *OCTANI*, A MANY-LIMBED BEING? I LOST THEM WHEN I BOARDED.

NO. I MUST KEEP MY EYE ON THIS LOT.

TICKETS, PLEASE. PLEASE HAVE YOUR TICKETS READY.

SIR? THERE ARE SOME VACANT SEATS IN THE *NEXT* CAR IF YOU'D LIKE TO MOVE THERE.

THAT'D BE *GREAT.*

FOLLOW ME.

HE MUST BE UP AHEAD. HE GOT ON IN THIRD, BUT I LOST HIM. MAYBE HE'S IN FIRST CLASS?

SECURITY IS TIGHT FOR SOME REASON. PUT THIS *DINING UNIFORM* I GOT ON.

SEE YOU DOWN THE LINE.

SECOND CLASS

TICKETS! TICKETS, PLEASE!

TICKETS! *TICKETS!* PLEASE!

HOT DRINKS! COLD SNACKS!

OH! EXCUSE ME.

HELP. ME.

YOU GOT IT.

DHAR WAT? I'M *POE.* YOU'RE JUST THE PERSON I WAS LOOKING FOR. I'D LIKE TO DO SOME BUSINESS WITH YOU.

WUMP WOMP

POE? IS EVERYTHING ALL RIGHT IN THERE?

SLAM

WE'VE GOT A SMALL PROBLEM. AN *INFESTATION* OF SORTS. BUT I FOUND OUR GUY.

NICE TO MEET YOU. DHAR WAT.

IS *THAT* WHAT I THINK IT IS? HERE? ON *THIS* TRAIN? THIS IS *BAD. REALLY BAD.*

YEAH. THINGS JUST GOT MORE COMPLICATED. NOT ONLY THAT, BUT THEY ALSO CONFISCATED WHAT WE WANT.

DO WE KNOW WHAT THEY'RE DOING HERE?

THEY *SEIZED* MY PARTS. THERE WAS NO SALE. THEY SAID EVERYTHING HERE BELONGS TO *THEM.*

THEY ALWAYS SAY THAT.

BAD MANNERS.

I DON'T RECOGNIZE HIM. IS THIS SOMEONE WE KNOW?

NO, I DON'T RECOGNIZE HIM EITHER.

THAT'S GOOD.

SO, WALK US THROUGH WHAT HAPPENED. WHERE ARE THE PARTS?

THEY *DEMANDED* THAT I TURN OVER THE PARTS. THEY NEED IT FOR THEIR *FARM EQUIPMENT* ON A PLANET IN THE NEXT SYSTEM.

NOT SHIPS?

FARMS.

BECAUSE YOU CAN'T WIN A FIGHT WITHOUT FEEDING YOUR ARMY.

THEY NEED THIS FOR FARM EQUIPMENT.

NEXT STOP, DENLAM. IN FIVE MINUTES. DENLAM.

WHERE ARE THE PARTS *NOW?*

THEY'RE IN THE BAGGAGE CAR. THEY CAN ONLY FLY THEM OUT AT *GARSON CORNERS.*

SO, WE HAVE A FEW STOPS TO GET THOSE *TWIN LUG INJECTORS* OFF THE TRAIN.

AND YOU'LL PAY ME THEIR *VALUE?*

TAKE ALL WE'VE GOT. AND *MORE* DOWN THE LINE IF YOU CAN BE OUR PARTS SUPPLIER.

LOOKS LIKE A BUNCH OF *FIRST ORDER* ARE GETTING OFF HERE.

WHY ARE THEY GETTING OFF *HERE?*

THEIR BARRACKS ARE HERE TO GET BETTER DEALS ON THE LIVESTOCK. THEY'RE BUYING *EVERYTHING* UP. THAT'S WHY I TURNED TO PARTS.

THEY'LL HAVE LEFT A GUARD TO BABYSIT THE *GOODS* TILL THE END OF THE LINE. BUT WE CAN HANDLE THEM.

ALL RIGHT, LET'S GET THIS DONE. SHOULD BE A PIECE OF CAKE.

BAR CAR

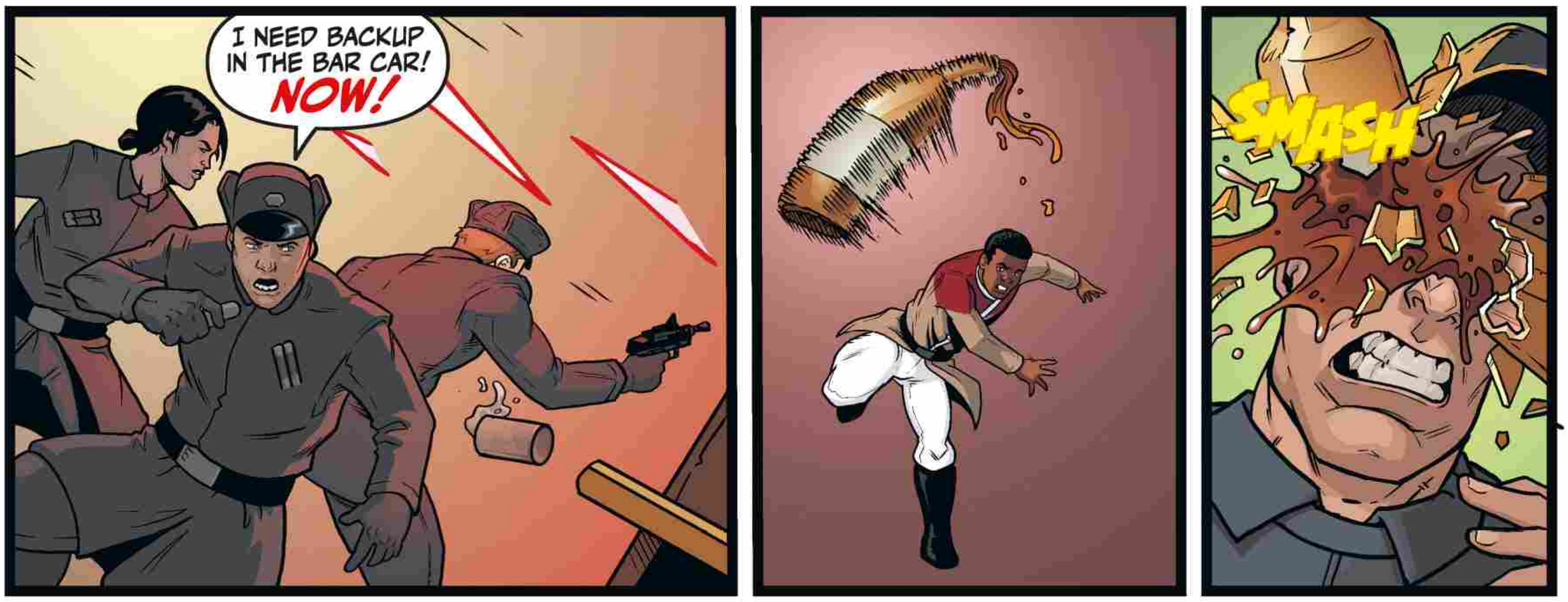
THIS IS BAD.

CLEARLY, WE MISCALCULATED.

WHO ARE YOU? YOU'RE NOT ONE OF MY PEOPLE.

AHHHHHHH!

AHHHHHH!


I NEED BACKUP IN THE BAR CAR! NOW!
SMASH

AAGH!
PEW
PEW

GET BACK HERE!
DOES ANYONE COPY?

REQUESTING BACKUP IN THE *DINING CAR!* GET WORD TO THE BARRACKS...

OH NO YOU DON'T!

=CRACKLING= CAN YOU REPEAT YOUR REQUEST? OVER.

CRACK CRACKLE

PEW

SMACK

THANKS.

I *ALWAYS* GOT YOUR BACK.

LET'S HOPE HIS MESSAGE ISN'T CALLING IN *REINFORCEMENTS* BEFORE THE NEXT STATION.

HOW MANY MORE CARS ARE THERE TILL BAGGAGE?

JUST KEEP RUNNING.

THEY'RE GETTING *CLOSER.*

WE'RE ALMOST THERE, I KNOW IT.

WHAT'S THE PLAN? WE *NEED* A PLAN.

WE'RE NOT GOING DOWN WITHOUT A FIGHT. BUT IF THIS IS IT, IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE.

DUCK!

THIS IS NO TIME FOR GOODBYES.

PEW PEW

PEW

AHHHHHH!

AHHHHHHH!

SMASH

NOW WHERE ARE THE PARTS?

THEY GOTTA BE HERE *SOMEWHERE!* KEEP LOOKING.

GOT IT!

HALT!

PEW

SHUNK

SKREEEEE

COME BACK HERE! RESISTANCE SCUM!

NEW FRIEND?

NEW *RECRUIT.* THE WAY THIS WOOKIEE FOUGHT BACK THERE, I THINK IT'S A PART OF THE *RESISTANCE* NOW.

WELL, HE CERTAINLY BROUGHT US *LUCK.* LOOK AT THAT. ENOUGH LIVESTOCK TO FEED AN ARMY.

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED.

THE HEROES RETURN *TRIUMPHANT!* WELL DONE. WE'LL FEAST FOR MONTHS WITH ALL THIS. I KNEW YOU WOULDN'T LET ME DOWN.

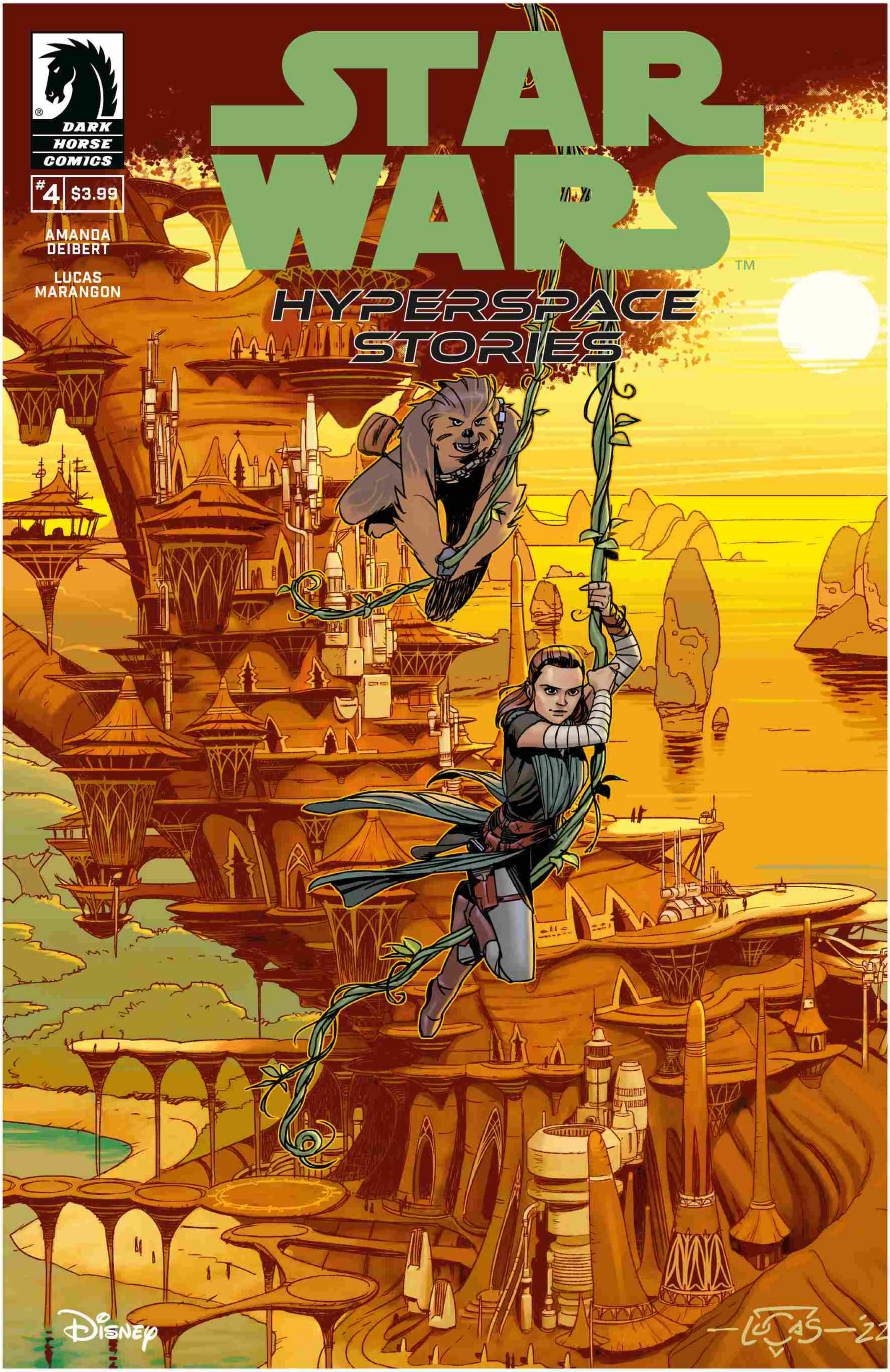
WHO'S THIS?

OH THIS? A NEW FRIEND I MET WHILE I WAS THERE.

I THINK YOU SHOULD HAVE THEM NOW. THEY BROUGHT ME LUCK.

THANK YOU. I *LOVE* THEM.

THE END



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